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AMENDMENTS TO THE SPECIFICATION

Please replace the paragraph beginning on page 3, line 10, with the following rewritten paragraph:

-- The novel construction according to the invention is given by the features <u>described below</u> of independent claim 1. Advantageous refinements and developments are <u>also described given by claims 2 to 15 which are dependent on claim 1. --</u>

Please replace the paragraph beginning on page 3, line 15, with the following rewritten paragraph:

-- The coupling unit <u>and the framework</u> according to the invention <u>are also described</u>. is given by the features. The framework according to the invention is given by the features of independent claim 22. --

Please replace the paragraph beginning on page 7, line 34, with the following rewritten paragraph:

- -- The invention and advantageous embodiments and developments thereof are described and explained in more detail in the following text with reference to the examples illustrated in the drawing. The features which can be gathered from the description and from the drawing can be used according to the invention individually by themselves or several of them can be used in any desired combination. In the drawing:
- fig. 1 shows a schematic view of a framework having sheet steel corner plates each with a further recess and an additional recess.
 - fig. 2 shows a schematic view of the detail A according to fig. 1,
- fig. 3 shows a part of a schematic side view of a frame with a connection to a wall of a building by means of an anchoring tube with the bracket device connected at the same time,
- fig. 4 shows a schematic plan view in accordance with detail B in fig. 3 of the connecting region of the anchoring tube and the bracket device in the region of the sheet steel corner plate of the framework with the frame coverings which have been placed on it having been cut away.

- fig. 5 shows a schematic section through the connecting construction according to fig. 4 along the section line I-I,
- fig. 6 shows a schematic perspective of a detail of the connection of a normal coupling unit in the region of the corner recess and of an additional normal coupling unit in the region of the additional recess,
- fig. 7 shows part of a schematic plan view of the connection of a frame to a building via anchoring tubes arranged in a V-shaped manner, and
- fig. 8 shows a schematic perspective of a detail of the frame elements of the V-shaped wall anchorage according to fig. 7 in the region of the sheet steel corner plate of a framework, and
- fig. 9 shows a schematic view of a framework having sheet steel corner plates, according to another embodiment of the present invention. --